## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

<u>Listing of Claims:</u>

Claims 1 to 40 (Canceled).

## 41. (New) A multiple catheter assembly, comprising:

a first flexible catheter having a first distal end configured for implantation into a patient and a first proximal end configured for attachment to a first medical element;

a second flexible catheter having a second distal end configured for implantation into a patient and a second proximal end configured for attachment to a second medical element, the first and second flexible catheters attached to one another via a splittable bond extending from a bond distal end to a bond proximal end, the bond proximal end initially spaced a first initial distance from the first proximal end and a second initial distance from the second proximal end, wherein the distances from the proximal ends of first and second flexible catheters to the bond proximal end may be increased by splitting the splittable bond; and

a hub member defining a distal passage configured to receive the attached first and second flexible catheters and first and second proximal passages intersecting the distal passage at an intersection, the first proximal passage configured for passage of the first flexible catheter and having a length less than the first initial distance such that the first flexible catheter extends from a first proximal opening of the hub member, the second proximal passage configured for passage of the second flexible catheter and having a length less than the second initial distance such that the second flexible catheter extends from a second proximal opening of the hub member,

wherein the hub member is configured such that the hub member is longitudinally adjustable along the flexible catheters to position the bond proximal end proximate to the hub member intersection.

- 42. (New) The multiple catheter assembly of claim 41, wherein the first and second proximal ends each have a circular cross-section and the portions of the first and second flexible catheters initially attached to one another via the splittable bond each have a semicircular cross-section.
- 43. (New) The multiple catheter assembly of claim 41, wherein the splittable bond is formed by adhesive.
- 44. (New) The multiple catheter assembly of claim 41, wherein the first flexible catheter has a first distal end region between the bond distal end and the first distal end of the first flexible catheter, the second flexible catheter has a second distal end region between the bond distal end and the second distal end of the second flexible catheter, and the first and second distal end regions are separate from one another.
- 45. (New) The multiple catheter assembly of claim 44, wherein the first and second distal end regions each define side apertures extending through a respective surface thereof.
- 46. (New) The multiple catheter assembly of claim 41, wherein the bond distal end is initially spaced a third initial distance from the first distal end and a fourth initial distance

from the second distal end, and wherein the third and fourth initial distances are different from one another.

- 47. (New) The multiple catheter assembly of claim 41, wherein each of the first and second proximal ends includes a respective connection member.
- 48. (New) The multiple catheter assembly of claim 47, wherein each connection member includes a compression fitting.
- 49. (New) The multiple catheter assembly of claim 41, wherein the distal passage, or the first and second proximal passages, or the distal passage and the first and second proximal passages are configured to have a friction fit with respect to flexible catheters.